



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Year 1

Week beginning Monday 20 April 2015

Messages

- As part of our Plants and Insects topic we will be making a shoe box garden – please send any shoeboxes or similar sized boxes for this project.
- Please label all school uniform, snack boxes and water bottle to avoid items getting lost in school. Every child needs to have a water bottle to bring in each day.
- As the weather starts to get warmer, please make sure you send your child to school with a sun hat or cap.
- **Years 1 and 2 Sports Day** **Monday 27 April 13:00 – 3pm** *Primary School Playground and Field*

All children will take part in each of the activities as they move around a range of stations through the afternoon; there are also plenty of rest areas planned in order that the children can drink and get some shade. Some activities will be based around fun games and some will have a more athletic feel. The activities are designed to challenge the students physically but also help them have fun whilst doing exercise.

Literacy

As part of our 10 Year Anniversary celebrations we will have a music themed focus this week relating to 10 pieces of classical music. The children will listen to Symphony Number 5, by Beethoven. The children will listen to the music and discuss the rhythms and patterns. They will then create an illustration about how the music makes them feel. They will create a funny story about Beethoven's wig using rhyming words and phrases.

Phonics

Stingrays – high frequency words

Sharks – consolidation of previously learned sounds

Jellyfish – er, air, ure

Octopus – oe, au, ey

Pufferfish- contractions; we've, they've, it's, I'm, he's, she's, couldn't

Maths

This week in Maths we will be learning about data handling. The children will learn how to categorise information into different groups and will display it on a pictogram and bar graph. They will also use charts of information to find out facts about insects. The children will sort different insects into groups according to their features. They will also carry out a survey to find out their friends favourite insects and will make a bar chart using the information.

Themed Learning- Plants and Insects

The children will continue to make observations of their beans that they planted last week. They will keep an up to date plant diary, recording any changes they observe. We will also learn more facts and information about insects and will begin to compile a fact book by summarising the information found.

PSHCE- Relationships

We will continue with the theme of team work and working together. We will watch some interesting video clips about insect colonies and learn how they work together. We will discuss what things we do together and how everyone achieves more when we collaborate!



Vocabulary

Literacy – Beethoven, symphony, rhyming words, pattern, song, rhyme

Maths – data, sorting, grouping, information, bar graph/chart, pictogram

Science- observation, germination, seed, plant, insect, conditions for growth

Art- still life, shape, line, colour, sunflowers, pastels

PSHCE- working together, team work, co-operation, collaboration

Dutch

In het kader van het thema lente hebben we het boek 'Wie legt het mooiste ei?' gelezen. Hierdoor hebben ze woorden geleerd zoals: ijdelheid, grof gebouwd, aardig-onaardig, 'zo groen als gras', mooi-lelijk, gespikkeld, trippelen, kakelen, 'op stok zitten', 'een scherpe tong hebben', overdreven doen, spoedig, scheidsrechter en nauwkeurig. We hebben Florrie de kip geknutseld en gedanst op 'Kuiken Piep'. Ook zijn we bezig een rijmboekje te maken met –ei- en –ij- woorden.

Mandarin Y1MNDC1/2

Topic: Learning Material

Key Words: 铅笔 qian bi/pencil, 橡皮 xiang pi/eraser, 彩色笔 cai se bi/colour pen, 尺子 chi zi/ruler, 剪刀 jian dao/scissors

Key Sentences: 我有 wo you...../I have...

Activities: Role play

Extended learning content: 卷笔刀 juan bi dao/sharpener

Mandarin Y1MNDC3

Topic: Breakfast

Key Phrases: 喝果汁 he guo zhi/drink fruit juice; 喝牛奶 he niu nai/drink milk; 吃面包 chi mian bao/eat bread; 吃香肠 chi xiang chang/eat sausages; 吃鸡蛋 chi ji dan/eat egg; 喝水 he shui/drink water

Activities: Categorize eating and drinking

Mandarin Y1 MNDCN

本周我们将学习:

1) 儿歌: 小花鼓

2) 语文快乐宫 1

3) 写用字: 面、在

4) 认读词语: 正在、里面、哭了、哥哥、老虎

要求: 指读并背诵儿歌, 掌握写用字, 可以用这些字熟练地组成简单词语。